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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF OREGON
PORTLAND DIVISION

JONATHON LEE LATHROP-VANCE,
Plaintiff,

v.

ASHLEY CROFT, RN; GARTH GULICK,
M.D.; RONDA WAGNER, R.N.; BRAD
CAIN, BRYON DALE HEMPHILL, M.D.;
WILLIAMS; REBECCA
ESPLIN; CYNTHIA WAGGONER;
SMITH; OREGON
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; and
SNAKE RIVER CORRECTIONAL
INSTITUTION

Defendants.

Case No.: **2:20-CV-01926-YY**

PLAINTIFF'S SECOND AMENDED
COMPLAINT
(42 U.S.C. §1983; EIGHTH AMENDMENT)

(\$1,500,000.00)

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Plaintiff, on behalf of himself alleges as follows:

I. Jurisdiction & Venue

1. This is a Civil Action authorized by 42 U.S.C. § 1983 to redress the deprivation under the color of state law, of rights secured by the Constitution of the United States. This court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §1331 and 1333(a)(s). Plaintiff seeks compensatory and punitive

damages; alleging unlawful due process of his rights along with physical, emotional, and mental injuries sustained by Eighth Amendment violations.

2. The Portland District of Oregon is an appropriate venue under 28 U.S.C. §1331(6)(2).

II. Parties

3. Plaintiff JONATHON LEE LATHROP-VANCE is and was at all times mentioned herein, a prisoner of the state of Oregon in the custody of the Oregon Department of Corrections (ODOC). He is currently confined in Oregon State Correctional Institution (OSCI), located in Portland, Oregon.

4. Defendant ODOC at all relevant times was the Department which has the custody of adults sentenced to prison for more than 12 months of which Snake River Correctional Institution is a prison part of ODOC's department.

5. Defendant SNAKE RIVER CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION ("SRCI") is a medium security prison in the ODOC system and is located in northeastern Malheur County, Oregon.

6. Defendant BRAD CAIN ("Cain") was the superintendent of SRCI until approximately July 2021. Cain is responsible for the crafting and implementation of the policy of refusing to treat Adults-in-Custody (AICs) pain and sleep. *A SPECIALIST WHO TRAINED STAFF FOR CELL EXTRactions OR AICs USE OF FORCE*

7. Defendant, DR. GARTH GULICK ("Gulick") at all relevant times was a primary care provider of Plaintiff at SRCI and is licensed as a medical doctor in the state of Oregon. Gulick was responsible for treating Plaintiff's complaints of stomach pain, pain, loss of sleep, knee pain, and head trauma. *ODOC DOCTOR & STATE'S CDC DIRECTOR RESPONSIBLE FOR MEDICAL NEEDS & SPREAD OF DISEASES*

8. Defendant DR. BRYON DALE HEMPHILL, M.D ("Hemphill") at all relevant times was a primary care provider of Plaintiff at SRCI and is licensed as a medical doctor in the state of

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Oregon. *Gulick* was responsible for treating Plaintiff's complaints of stomach pain, pain, loss of sleep, knee pain, and head trauma.

9. Defendant ASHLEY CROFT, RN, ("Croft") at all relevant times was a nurse at SRCI and was one of Plaintiff's providers. Croft is licensed as a registered nurse and as a Psychiatric / Mental Health nurse practitioner in the state of Oregon. Croft was responsible for treating Plaintiff's complaints of stomach pain, pain, loss of sleep, knee pain, and head trauma. *A BHS MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER (RN)*

10. Defendant, RONDA WAGNER, R.N ("Wagner") at all relevant times was a nurse at SRCI and was one of Plaintiff's providers. Wagner is licensed as a registered nurse in the state of Oregon. Wagner was responsible for treating Plaintiff's complaints of stomach pain, pain, loss of sleep, *ONEST PHN* knee pain, and head trauma. *A NURSE SEEN SEVERAL TIMES @ SICK CALLS*

11. Defendant, KIAL KAY BROTHERSON, RN ("Brotherson") at all relevant times was a nurse at SRCI and was one of Plaintiff's providers. Brotherson is licensed as a registered nurse in the state of Oregon. Brotherson was responsible for treating Plaintiff's complaints of stomach pain, pain, loss of sleep, knee pain, and head trauma. *IS THE HS MNGR @ SRCI IN CHARGE OF PROVIDERS @ SRCI*

12. Defendant, CYNTHIA WAGGONER ("Waggoner") at all relevant times was an employee of ODOC, a counselor in SRCI's BHS Department and was one of Plaintiff's providers at SRCI. Waggoner was responsible for treating Plaintiff's mental health including but not limited to Plaintiff's ADHD and his symptoms of depression and anxiety. *BHS COUNSELOR*

13. Defendant, REBECCA ESPLIN ("Esplin") at all relevant times was an employee of ODOC, a counselor in SRCI's BHS Department and was one of Plaintiff's providers at SRCI. Esplin was responsible for treating Plaintiff's mental health including but not limited to Plaintiff's ADHD and his symptoms of depression and anxiety. *BHS COUNSELOR*

14. Defendant, _____ WILLIAMS, RN ("Williams") at all relevant times was a nurse at SRCI and was one of Plaintiff's providers. Williams is licensed as a registered nurse in the state of Oregon. Williams was responsible for treating Plaintiff's complaints of stomach pain, pain, loss of sleep, knee pain, and head trauma.

15. Defendant, _____ *MS. SMITH IS A BHS MNGR IN CHARGE OF BHS PROVIDERS @ SRCI* SMITH, LPC ("Smith") at all relevant times was a counselor in SRCI's Behavioral Health Services ("BHS") and was one of Plaintiff's providers. Smith is licensed as a Professional Counselor in the state of Oregon. Smith was responsible for treating Plaintiff's mental health including but not limited to Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder ("ADHD").

16. These defendants are directly and personally responsible and liable for violations of Plaintiff's civil rights as delineated below in the "Statements of Facts" section. At all times herein, Defendants were acting under the color of state law when committing the illegal acts; Defendants acted in bad faith and violated clearly established laws, which reasonable prison officials knew or should have known. Both ODOC and SRCI are sued in their official capacities. All other Defendants are sued in their individual capacities. *Damages*

*ODOC'S + SPCI'S HS DEPT ARE SUED IN THEIR OFFICIAL + INDIVIDUAL CAPACITIES
ALL OTHER DEFENDANTS ARE SUED IN THEIR INDIVIDUAL CAPACITIES.*

III. Facts

17. At all relevant and material times, Plaintiff was housed at SRCI and was treated at SRCI's BHS and Medical Center.

18. *In or around (since) May* Plaintiff was involved in a car accident that caused permanent injury to his neck. Specifically, his cervical spine. Before Plaintiff's incarceration, Plaintiff was informed that he would need surgery on his cervical spinal. *SERIES OF*

Hempill +

19. On or about Since 7/2017 Plaintiff complained to Gulick about his pain to his cervical spine and requested pain medication. Prior to incarceration, Plaintiff was taking Tramadol medication for his pain caused by his permanent injury to his cervical spine. *+ FLEXEROL for muscle spasms & SLEEP*

20. Plaintiff requested Tramadol pain medication to relieve the symptoms Plaintiff was experiencing due to his injury. Specifically, Plaintiff experienced neck pain, headaches, back pain, trouble sleeping due to his neck pain, emotional distress, and mental distress.

21. Plaintiff was denied pain medication and was told by Gulick, Croft, Wagner, Brotherson, and Williamson that SRCI did not treat AICs for pain. *or SLEEP*

22. After several requests and attempts to receive pain medication for his pain, Plaintiff was given three (3) tabs of coated over the counter ibuprofen to take twice a day. Plaintiff took three (3) tabs in the morning before breakfast and 3 tabs at night before bedtime.

23. Prior to being incarcerated, Plaintiff sustained stomach ulcers and bleeding within the stomach lining caused by the over-the-counter coated ibuprofen. Plaintiff notified Gulick, Croft, Wagner, Brotherson, and Williamson of his prior medical issues, but took the coated over the counter ibuprofen due to his pain level.

24. On or about April 2019 Plaintiff began to experience stomach pain, nausea, vomiting, which Plaintiff sought treatment for and from Gulick, Croft, Wagner, Brotherson, and Williamson at SRCI. Plaintiff again notified Gulick, Croft, Wagner, Brotherson, and Williamson of his prior medical issues related to taking coated over the counter ibuprofen pills.

25. On or about 8/2020 Plaintiff diagnosed with bacterial infection which was connected to consumption of coated over the counter ibuprofen pills. *& OTHER DRUGS PRESCRIBED BY GULICK + CROFT*

26. After Plaintiff was diagnosed with bacterial infection, Plaintiff was not treated for the infection until 8/2020. Due to the bacterial infection, Plaintiff sustained and experienced

headaches, stomach pain, trouble sleeping, nausea, vomiting, loss of appetite, loss of ~~work~~^{ability to exercise + work} depression, and anxiety.

27. After several months of experiencing stomach issues, neck pain, headaches, trouble sleeping, loss of sleep, anxiety, back pain, nausea, loss of appetite, vomiting, mental distress, and emotional distress, Gulick, Croft, Wagner, Brotherson, and Williamson gave and prescribed Plaintiff with Amitriptyline, a medication primarily used as an anti-depressant to be consumed as pain medication.

28. Amitriptyline did little to nothing to resolve Plaintiff's daily and continuous neck pain, headaches, trouble sleeping, loss of sleep, anxiety, and back pain.

29. Prior to incarceration, Plaintiff was taking Flexerol medication to assist Plaintiff with his ~~muscle spasms~~ difficulty sleeping. On or about August 2017, Plaintiff requested sleep medication, either Flexerol or lorazepam due to Plaintiff's difficulty and trouble sleeping, because Plaintiff was experiencing depression, anxiety, loss of appetite, loss of work, mental distress, and emotional distress.

30. On or about ~~August 2017~~ ^{+ Memphis} Gulick, Croft, Wagner, Brotherson, and Williamson denied Plaintiff sleeping medication. Plaintiff continued to experience depression, anxiety, loss of appetite, loss of ~~work~~, mental distress, and emotional distress, which caused Plaintiff to attempt to take his own life. ^{EXERCISE w/ DIFFICULTY DOING WORK TASKS} ^{1/30/2019 @ SCSU}

31. On or about January 30, 2020, Plaintiff sustained head trauma caused by excessive force from SRCI officers ^{DOING CAL EXTRACTION w/ BOD CWD SPECIALIZED IN THEIR TRAINING} breaking up an assault that occurred on ^{V WHICH} Unit ~~DEATH~~ 38 at SRCI. Plaintiff was hit in the head multiple times which caused Plaintiff to sustain a concussion without loss of consciousness, bloody eye, loss of earing, loss of balance, dizziness, headaches, and neck pain.

A. Exhaustion of Administrative Remedies

40. Plaintiff used the prisoner grievance procedures available at SRCI to attempt to solve the problems related to Plaintiff's request for pain medication. Plaintiff exhausted the Grievance procedure in full. *TO THE BEST OF HIS ABILITIES & DENIED THE HELP FROM MR TAYLOR SINCE 10/2019 REQUESTS*
41. Plaintiff used the prisoner grievance procedures available at SRCI to attempt to solve the *ADMIN/ADD MENTS* problems related to Plaintiff's request for sleep medication. Plaintiff exhausted the Grievance procedure in full. *BY VERBAL REQUESTS FOR HELP TO AVOID FURTHER ABUSE OF GRIEVANCE SYSTEM, taylor*
42. Plaintiff used the prisoner grievance procedures available at SRCI to attempt to solve the problems related to Plaintiff's request for treatment of his stomach pain. Plaintiff exhausted the Grievance procedure in full. *# Suci. 2020. 04. 004*
43. Plaintiff used the prisoner grievance procedures available at SRCI to attempt to solve the problems related to Plaintiff's request for treatment of his head trauma. Plaintiff exhausted the Grievance procedure in full. *EAR DAMAGE From # Suci. 2020. 04. 005 SUSTAINED IN 1/30/19 CELL - EXTRACTION*
44. Plaintiff used the prisoner grievance procedures available at SRCI to attempt to solve the problems related to Plaintiff's request for treatment of his knee pain. Plaintiff exhausted the Grievance procedure in full.

IV. Legal Claims

Claim I

(42 U.S.C. §1983 – Deliberate Indifference of Medical Treatment)

45. Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference Paragraphs 1-43
46. Plaintiff properly notified Gulick, Croft, *Gulick, Wagner, Brotherson, Williamson* about his spinal injury and the serious pain that Plaintiff was in on a daily basis.

DSU'S SUICIDE WATCH

32. Shortly after Plaintiff was assaulted, he was placed in DSU and denied treatment of his IN-TAKE SECURITY CELL injuries. Before Plaintiff was placed in DSU, he requested treatment.

DSU IN-TAKE SECURITY CELL
33. While in DSU Plaintiff reported to Lieutenant Paynter that he was dizzy and was SEVERE PAIN + experiencing headaches and nausea. Plaintiff requested treatment again with Lieutenant Paynter before Plaintiff was taken to suicide watch.

34. It was not until February 19, 2020, Plaintiff saw Gulick due to his bloody eye. During this visit, Gulick did not treat Plaintiff's injuries.

35. On or about 2/19/20 Plaintiff sustained an injury to his knee. Specifically, Plaintiff dislocated knee when 2010 FALL INJURY ON STAIRS occurred.

RE-INJURED
36. On or about Plaintiff re-dislocated his knee when Plaintiff fell down IN UNIT the stairs on-unit DSU #A due to loss of balance caused by head trauma that Plaintiff received CELL EXTRACT W/ in an assault by SPCI officials. Plaintiff was prescribed over-the-counter coated ibuprofen for the EXACERBATED PROBLEMS W/ pain, which exacerbated his stomach pain, nausea, vomiting, and bacterial infection. Additionally, Plaintiff continued to sustain mental distress and emotional distress as well.

37. In 2009 Plaintiff was diagnosed with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and prescribed Atomoxetine, Strattera, to treat his ADHD symptoms. THAT CROFT DENIED / REFUSED TO TREAT

38. In and around 8/2018, Plaintiff asked to be prescribed Strattera for his ADHD. AFTER WAS MISDIAGNOSED FOR PSCHITZO-EFFECTIVE DISORDER AFTER A YEAR W/ NO Instead, Plaintiff diagnosed with Bi-Polar Disorder and prescribed with Lithium, Olanzapine, and Celexa by Smith, Waggoner, and Esplin. CROFT ADVISED TO KEEP TAKING DRUGS FOR THIS DISORDER INSTEAD AFTER BEING MISDIAGNOSED BY A YEAR W/ NO TREATS

39. While on Lithium, Olanzapine, and Celexa experienced numbness, excessive drooling, and excessive shaking, which caused Plaintiff to have the inability work, eat, exercise, and complete daily life tasks.

47. Plaintiff at all relevant times was an AIC housed at SRCI and was treated by SRCI doctors
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for his medical needs. *other doc's & STAFF*

48. Plaintiff faced a serious medical need due to the pain he was experiencing due to his spine injury, bloody eye, concussion, sleep deprivation, depression, anxiety, headaches, neck pain, weight gain, trouble sleeping, trouble walking, and hip pain

49. Defendants knew of this need and theirs acts and omissions of withholding pain medications and sleep medications, and prescribing anti-depressants as pain medications caused Plaintiff harm.

50. Specifically, Plaintiff sustained damages as described in paragraphs 27 to 40.

51. All of these claims mentioned caused Plaintiff mental, emotional, and physical injuries.

52. Plaintiff is also entitled to attorney fees, costs, and disbursements pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §1988.

Claim II

(42 U.S.C. §1983 – Deliberate Indifference of Conditions of Confinement)

53. Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference Paragraphs 1 – 53.

54. Plaintiff properly notified Defendants about injuries he sustained and the serious pain that Plaintiff was in on a daily basis.

55. Plaintiff at all relevant times was an AIC housed at SRCI and was treated by SRCI doctors for his medical needs.

56. Plaintiff faced a serious medical need due to the pain he was experiencing due to his spine injury, bloody eye, concussion, sleep deprivation, depression, anxiety, headaches, neck pain, weight gain, trouble sleeping, trouble walking, and hip pain

57. Defendants knew of this need and theirs acts and omissions of withholding pain medications and sleep medications, withholding basic medical treatment and prescribing anti-depressants as pain medications caused Plaintiff harm.

58. Specifically, Plaintiff sustained damages as described in paragraphs 27 to 40.

59. All of these claims mentioned caused Plaintiff mental, emotional, and physical injuries.

60. Plaintiff is also entitled to attorney fees, costs, and disbursements pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §1988.

V.Prayer for Relief

61. WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully prays that this Court enter judgment granting Plaintiff the following:

- a. A declaration that the acts and omissions described herein violated Plaintiff's rights under the Constitution of the United States.
- b. A preliminary and permanent injunction ordering Defendants to take training courses on protecting ward of the state.
- c. Compensatory damages and punitive damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against ~~each~~ ^{\$500,000} Defendant ODOC.
- d. Compensatory damages and punitive damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against ~~each~~ ^{\$300,000} Defendant SRCI.
- e. Compensatory damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against Defendant Brad Cain. ^{\$500,000.00}
- f. Compensatory damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against Defendant Dr. Garth Gulick. ^{\$100,000.00}
- g. Compensatory damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against Defendant Ashley Croft. ^{\$500,000.00}

COMPENSATORY DAMAGES TO PLAINTIFF FOR \$500,000.00 AGAINST DEFENDANT BYRON HENRY

\$250,000

- h. Compensatory damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against Defendant Ronda Wagner
- i. Compensatory damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against Defendant Kial Kay Brotherson.
- j. Compensatory damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against Defendant Cynthia Waggoner.
- k. Compensatory damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against Defendant Rebecca Esplin.
- l. Compensatory damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against Defendant BUS INGR Smith.
- m. Compensatory damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against Defendant RN Williams.
- n. Compensatory damages to Plaintiff for \$125,000 against Defendant Bryon Dale Hemphill.
- o. Plaintiff's costs and attorney fees in this suit, and
- p. Any additional relief this court deems just, proper, and equitable. (OR (+/- \$1,000,000.00))

Plaintiff requests a trial by jury on all matters so triable.

DATED: September 22, 2021

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